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Sir:

The Issue Fee for the above-identified application was paid on June 23, 2005.

Applicants have not yet received the Original Letters Patent for this application.

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